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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Title: MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING UTILIZING A MICROCOIL

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Washington, D.C. 20231

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

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3. (amended) A method of imaging blood vessels (angiography) where a catheter (1) which is provided with at least one microcoil (6) for the detection of magnetic resonance signals is inserted into the blood vessel (3) of a patient to be examined, characterized in that the position of the catheter (1) is detected by means of the method claimed in claim 1 and the intensity of the detected magnetic resonance signal is reproduced as a function of the catheter position.